Pellerin celebrates 50 years as a Dominican

LEWISTON — Brother Albert Pellerin, O.P., sacristan at SS. Peter and Paul parish, celebrated the 50th anniversary of his religious profession in the Dominican Order Sunday.

The event opened with a Mass at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Richard Guimond, O.P., of Montreal, provincial of the Dominican Order, presiding. This was followed by a banquet at 1 p.m. at St. Peter's School cafeteria.

Pellérin, popularly known as Brother Albert, was born in Plessisville, Canada, in 1910, the fifth child in a family of 17. At 18, he joined the Dominican order in 1935 and from 1935 to 1951 served the order in Ottawa and Outremont, Canada.

In 1951, at the request of the late Rev. Herve Drouin, he came to serve as sacristan at SS. Peter and Paul in Lewiston, a post he has held for the past 38 years, serving the parish and the community.

A tribute from Bishop Edward C. O'Leary of the Diocese of Portland was read by the Rev. Leopold Nicknair, pastor of SS. Peter and Paul, and another tribute was read by Edouard Plourde, a parishioner who represented Lewiston Mayor Alfred Plourde.



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Family members, priests and brothers were among the many guests joining in the celebration.